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HOME NEWS

Eitan blames society at large for lack of discipline in army

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter Chief of Staff Rafael ("Rafal") Eitan yesterday put the blame for the lack of discipline and disregard of orders in the IDF on Israeli society in general and on its leaders in particular. At a meeting of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee discussing indiscipline in the army, as well as accidents on the roads and in training, Eitan said: "Israeli homes and schools, Knesset members and governments, must bear the direct responsibility for harmful phenomena such as violations of discipline in the IDF and infringement of orders. The way our children are brought up at home and in school does not always shape them to live in a society which values behavioural standards." Eitan said. He said that most young soldiers join combat units voluntarily, and only a very small minority try to exploit the military to get soft jobs in rear-line locations. He was troubled, he said, by the lack of respect for public property and for its maintenance. If economies were observed and maintenance routines adhered to according to orders, maintenance costs could be cut by a whopping 30 per cent. However, he warned, only goodwill and not enforcement could bring this about. It was an unhealthy phenomenon, he said, for 30,000 young Israelis of conscription age, of both sexes, to be neither serving, nor working, nor studying. The situation could be changed for the better, Eitan said, if the people at the top gave a good example. The example set by the Knesset, for instance, is not a good one, to judge at least by the way it comes over on television. "Television does great harm to the nation in general and to the IDF in particular," Eitan said. "Look how much time it devotes to the PLO!" Aluf Moshe Nativ, head of the Manpower Branch, said that training accidents were above average in the IDF compared to other armies. Nativ said that statistics on soldiers' suicides painted the same picture as in other armies, by and large. In the discussion, members made the following points: "The entire country should take a lesson from Eitan's economy measures and realize that things in Israel can be changed if people set about it with resolve. Discipline and behaviour are the hallmarks of every society. If we have a firm government, the things which Eitan has achieved in the IDF can be achieved in the country at large (Yosef Tamir - Likud-Liberals). From an early age our children get no education in values. They are not taught respect for discipline, or cleanliness, or law and order. They grow up in a permissive society until they join the IDF (Moshe Shamir - Likud-La'am). The criterion for proper organization in the army is honest and accurate reporting by the officers to their superiors (Yosef Rom - Likud-Herut). The problem in taking care of property in the IDF is that so many soldiers just don't give a damn (Shlomo Gross - Aguda). Night after night, Israel TV has been putting out distorted reports about women's call-up which are calculated to undermine morale (Eitan Livni - Likud-Herut).

'Equal service' protest ends with promise for more action

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — After two days and nights of camping outside the Defence Ministry here the demonstrators for equal national service finally dispersed — but only when it became certain that Rina Levy would not be imprisoned. Levy had refused to report for reserve duty, charging that the National Service Law that frees religious women discriminates against the secular women who serve in the army. "Levy, 23, turned herself in on Tuesday night to military police but was told to go home because she was not a deserter. Levy told The Jerusalem Post that she reported to the military adjutant yesterday morning, and was again told she was not a deserter. She said she had been notified to report for reserve duty some three months ago, but sent the letter back to her army unit. After hearing that military police were looking for her, she decided to turn herself in. "Now they say I'm not a deserter and let me go. But they can't shut me up with a sweet. I'm going through with this fight until the law is changed," Levy told The Post. Another reserve duty protester, Bracha Mazal, who was reportedly supposed to go on reserve duty over five months ago, reported at her reserve unit on Tuesday and was released soon afterwards, having persuaded her commanders that she never received the summons. The

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Zipori against Yadin proposal to publish Agranat 'secrets'

Jerusalem Post Staff, Item Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori yesterday came out against publishing in full the contents of the Yom Kippur War that have so far been classified. Zipori was reacting in a radio interview to suggestions reported in yesterday's papers that the report be published in full. Interviewed on Israel Radio's "Press Conference" programme, Zipori said the report contained the personal opinions of many people who want to rescue the IDF from the blunders and errors it had committed, but publication of those opinions would not serve to indicate whether or not the IDF had drawn the appropriate conclusions from the war. Publication would recall things best forgotten and reopen the wounds of thousands of families who suffered bereavement as a result of the war, he said. Yadin's reports said Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Yadin, who was a member of the Agranat Commission, initiated the idea of full publication, and afterwards gained the agreement of two of the other four members. He intends to consult with the remaining two as well. In the past, a number of senior IDF officers have called on the government to publish the classified sections of the report. Prominent among these has been Aluf (res.) Shmuel Gonen, who was commander of the southern front in the Yom Kippur War, and who was severely criticized in the report. The ombudsman and former chief of staff, Aluf Haim Laskov, a member of the commission, yesterday declined to comment on any issue connected with the report. Another member of the commission, State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebenzahl, on being asked to comment on reports that Deputy Premier Yadin would propose full publication, said he would respond only if questioned by those responsible for making the decision whether to publish the secret sections.

Ze'evi says Olmert's charges are based on 'fictitious documents'

By YORAM BAE Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — "MK Ehud Olmert is a publicity-hound maniac who would stop at nothing to attain his goals," Aluf (Res.) Rehav'am Ze'evi yesterday told The Jerusalem Post. Ze'evi was commenting on Olmert's speech in the Knesset earlier this week in which he quoted from an alleged FBI document saying that Ze'evi and Bezalel Mizrahi are drug smugglers. In a letter Ze'evi sent all 120 members of the Knesset he claimed that the document Olmert was quoting was written by an incorrigible Israeli criminal who wanted a visa to the U.S. and tried to get one by writing this fictitious document. "Even the criminal himself denied the content of the document later, when he was questioned by the Israeli police," Ze'evi charged. Ze'evi told The Post yesterday that he couldn't speak of the FBI document because that would be in violation of the court decision banning its publication; "I cannot talk but Olmert, who is a member of the Knesset, and a lawyer, did it. I hope he will pay for that," said Ze'evi. Ze'evi's letter claims that Olmert is trying to evade trial by claiming MK immunity, while simultaneously claiming to be ready to stand trial on libel charges. "All he has to do to be put on trial is not to claim that he was acting as an MK when he made his charges," Ze'evi said, charging that Olmert "is playing a trick on the public, assuming everyone — except him — is stupid." Olmert was unavailable for comment.

El Al's final days in Teheran

By BARUCH SAVILLE Jerusalem Post Reporter El Al's Israeli personnel who fled from Iran this week, yesterday revealed harrowing details of their experiences, and the events in the Iranian capital during the final days before their escape. At a press conference held at the El Al offices at Ben-Gurion Airport, managing director Mordechai Hod welcomed the personnel, saying that the part played by El Al during the turmoil was an outstanding example of the airline's importance. El Al, said Hod, ensured the safety of the Israelis who were left in Teheran, and had assisted Iranians who wished to leave. Hod praised the exceptional efforts of all the El Al personnel who were stationed in Teheran, the crews of the planes who had flown the dangerous route, and the mechanics, all of whom had worked round the clock to ensure maximum results. He said El Al "would overcome every obstacle, at all times, to maintain the air link between Israel and the outside world. Teheran was an example, if one is needed, of the vital need for a strong, efficient national carrier." Hod declared Beckenstein, the former El Al Teheran representative introduced station manager, Danny Sa'adon, who with his staff played a major role in the movement of El Al's planes in and out of Teheran. Apart from the six Israelis employed by El Al in Teheran, the staff included 30 local employees, all but four of whom were Jews. Since Beckenstein departed from Teheran several days before the final shutdown, Danny Sa'adon filled in with the details of the last hours in Iran. "We were quite calm, until the radio-TV station was attacked by literally thousands of wild persons. It was right next to my apartment," Sa'adon said. "The most trying time was when the U.S. embassy was attacked, until then we felt safe," Sa'adon added. When the El Al offices were attacked and partially destroyed, the staff moved to the Hilton, located in the upper part of Teheran and at least one hour's drive away from the airport. "Our stay in the luxury Hilton was short-lived," Beckenstein said. "The local deputy manager came up and begged that we leave, as the word had gone around that El Al had set up headquarters in the hotel. "We left, of course, without any need for further explanation," Beckenstein added. The El Al staff went to their apartments from the Hilton and remained caged up waiting for developments. For news, they put on a 24-hour listening post to Israel Radio broadcasts. Captain Ya'acov Roman, Chief Boeing 707 supervisor, revealed that the El Al flight had been operated under most difficult conditions. "From the beginning of January," he said, "we virtually were left without any ground aids or weather reports. The crews on the Teheran route were instructed to fly "visual" and not resort to instruments. This meant flying at all times under any cloud formation." "At a later stage, an Iranian Jew somehow managed to get weather reports which he passed on to us, but this was only at intermittent periods," said Sa'adon. The El Al personnel were given only 20 minutes to leave. Ready packed bags were grabbed, one to a person, and they rushed to the aircraft, the engines of which had been left running. They took off just minutes before curfew went into effect. "We were given a real going over," said the El Al staff, but otherwise did not have any trouble. They were apparently only looking for gold, jewels, and valuable carpets," one said. On a final note, Beckenstein said that when his office was attacked, the Russian Aeroflot office across the street were left alone by the raging mob, as was the Air France office across the corner.

Angry exchanges on 4th day of Mizrahi's testimony

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Angry outbursts yesterday marked the fourth day of Bezalel Mizrahi's testimony in his IL10m. libel suit against "Ha'aretz" and the newspaper's crime reporter Avi Valentin. At one stage in Mizrahi's testimony yesterday, he shouted, "Whoever let them print those things (about me) is a criminal." When defence attorney Shlomo Lieblitch tried to calm Mizrahi down, the hotelier shouted, "It's easy for you to say, but if you were in my shoes you'd commit suicide." Mizrahi testified that a police inspector who had investigated alleged kidnapping and blackmail threats against Mizrahi was lying when he claimed Mizrahi had said: "I can buy a thousand like you." Sgan-Nitzav Haim Levy, police representative in the trial, interrupted: "There is a limit to the denunciations against police personnel who are not here to defend themselves." Mizrahi also denied reports that he had been in top-security Israeli installations in Latin America with Aluf (Res.) Rehav'am Ze'evi ("Gandhi"). Mizrahi claimed that Gandhi had helped him out of a stint in reserve duty, but denied the two were involved in business dealings together. He said he was with Gandhi in Asuncion, Paraguay, where Gandhi went into a meeting with the Israeli ambassador, but Mizrahi claimed he "waited for them in the hall, and that all the stories about me being with Gandhi in top-security places are invented by someone working for the corrupt MK Ehud Olmert."

Engineers ready to leave Histadrut

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The central committee of the Engineers' Union last night approved the union secretariat's decision to withdraw from the Histadrut. Another meeting was scheduled for next week to set the date for a special union convention, since only the convention can finalize the withdrawal. In the meantime, the engineers will continue negotiating with the Histadrut in the hope that the labour federation will agree to their demands for a new salary scale, not linked to that of other workers. The central committee authorized the secretariat to declare a general strike. Meanwhile, continuing the selective strike policy, engineers in the Herouth elevator company will strike for 24 hours today.

Tolerate opponents, Hammer tells students

Post Knesset Reporter Education Minister Ze'evulun Hammer yesterday called for more tolerance towards opposing views, but he drew the line at students who identify themselves with violent action aimed at destroying the state. Hammer was replying to six motions for the agenda dealing with the disturbances at the Hebrew University last Wednesday, when supporters of Rabbi Meir Kahane broke up an "officially scheduled" students assembly being addressed by Shai MK Uri Avnery. The motions were submitted by Yossi Sarid (Alignment), Avnery, Tsvi Toubi (Democratic Front), Shulamit Aloni (Citizens Rights Movement), Zeldan Atsah (Shal), and Ronnie Milo (Likud-Herut). Hammer said that open-mindedness was particularly important in the present tense period. But freedom of expression did not extend to those who justify enemies of the state who call for its subversion. Students who express such views are not entitled to the privileges the universities extend to their students, Hammer said. They should be dealt with harshly by university disciplinary committees, or by invoking the law.

Call to return Arab students

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Leaders of the National Union of Arab Students yesterday demanded that the six Arab students who were confined to their villages under the 1948 Emergency Regulations last month be allowed to return to Jerusalem. The six Hebrew University students were served "stay-at-home" orders after they publicly expressed support for the PLO. Mohammed Baraki, a student at Tel Aviv University, told reporters at a press conference that if the students are not allowed to return to their studies, they will get more and more Arab and Jewish support on Israel's university campuses. Jamal Zabalka, of the Hebrew University, said the union supports

IDF ordered to save on fuel

By HIRSH GOODMAN Post Military Correspondent Defence Minister Ezer Weizman yesterday ordered the defence establishment to cut fuel consumption by eight per cent. The order was due to go into effect immediately. Defence officials said that the minister's directive came in response to the government's decision that the Iranian crisis requires Israel voluntarily to cut down on its energy use. But it was not clear exactly where the cut will be made. Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan and Defence Ministry Director General Yosef Ma'ayan have been instructed to implement the cut in the IDF and defence establishments, respectively, but no specific plans were made. Where the cuts should be made, whether it was to be across the board and whether it would apply to operational units as well as service units. This is not the first time that Weizman has issued a far reaching cut-back order without indicating where it should be made. Immediately upon taking office a year and a half ago, he unilaterally cut the defence budget by IL1.3b., much to the chagrin of the then Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur, who was charged with implementing the order.

Nablus youths planned petrol bomb attacks

NABLUS (Item). — A dump for Molotov cocktails has been found in this town after 28 youths were arrested here for organizing two terrorist cells. The youths have reportedly confessed to putting one of the petrol bombs under the car of the Nablus Bank Leumi branch manager last week. The bomb went off, setting fire to the car but there were no injuries.

TV House sanctions

TV journalists prematurely stopped broadcasts at 10.15 p.m. yesterday as part of continuing work actions over wage demands.

'Dayan team was sent to spy on him'

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter TEL AVIV. — The team accompanying Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan "was sent along to Camp David to keep an eye on him and report constantly back to the prime minister," firebrand MK Geula Cohen charged yesterday at a meeting of her Herut Loyalist Circle at Metzudat Ze'ev here. Cohen said that Dayan is "the least-trusted man in the cabinet today, yet it is precisely such a man who is entrusted with the fate of this nation. He is certainly shrewd enough," she said. The various Ben-Elitars in the delegation sent as lookouts. This farce is symptomatic

of the malaise and irrationality with which this government performs," she charged.

Geula Cohen and her followers called on the government to suspend the peace talks "until a rational reassessment of the situation in the region can be achieved. Every country in this area is now re-evaluating the situation following the Iranian upheaval, and so should we. Yet we are negotiating about giving away the little oil we have. Is this not utter madness? Can this be called sane Zionism?" she asked. She demanded that the differing opinions within Herut on the peace talks be the main subject on the coming party convention's agenda.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of our dear mother and grandmother Rebbetzin MIRIAM WEISENBERG of Worcester, Mass. Family and friends will meet at Ben-Gurion Airport on Thursday evening, February 22, at 9.15 p.m. (verify: Tel. 057-38720). Burial will take place at Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem. Children and grandchildren: David, Sylvia, Sholom, Mayer and Matsiyohu. Shiva will be observed in Beersheba, at 8/3 Rehov Sokolow, entrance 6.

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HOME NEWS

MK says loan customers are pressured Banks are invading the insurance market

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Banks are trying to invade the insurance market by pressuring customers taking out loans to buy insurance through the bank, MK Avraham Sharir (Likud) yesterday told the Jerusalem Post after a meeting of the Finance Committee.

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President Navon receives honorary membership in Habonim during a ceremony in his office yesterday. Wellesley Aron is standing in the center. Hebrew University president Avraham Harman is just behind the president.

Habonim meet Navon to celebrate 50th year

Jerusalem Post Reporter Habonim, the Zionist youth movement that has brought thousands of young people to Israel in the last half-century, was at first called a "Jewish cultural programme" so as not to alienate parents who didn't like the word "Zionist."

New West Bank settlement planned

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter A new settlement will rise in the West Bank near Karmel Shomron, the Ministerial Settlement Committee and the World Zionist Organization's Settlement Department decided on Tuesday.

Advertisement for mifal hapayis showing a prize fund of IL11,732,000 and a first prize of IL2,000,000.

Lack of funds slows Galilee project

Jerusalem Post Reporter ACRE. — Hundreds of young families from all over the country, including immigrants from North America and South Africa, are awaiting housing from the government authorities so that they can live in Galilee.

Ramle escapees were caught following tip from criminal

By YOAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — A Tel Aviv criminal known to the police turned in the three Ramle Prison escapees who were captured in Bat Yam last week, a senior police officer confirmed yesterday.

Witness says Menny Cohen was involved in drug dealing

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Murder defendant Shaltiel Ozeri told Abed Menny Cohen was his partner in drug dealing, according to Tawashi's testimony in court yesterday.

Row in Labour Party over autonomy plan

By SARAH HONIG Post Political Reporter TEL AVIV. — Differing interpretations of the Labour Party's position paper on autonomy are likely to increase friction between the party's doves and hawks, even though all factions are likely to eventually endorse the document.

European economic talks at Knesset

Post Knesset Reporter The Economic Commission of the Council of Europe, holding sessions in the Knesset building all next week, will discuss the economic ties between Israel and Europe and the Common Market, as well as the Arab economic boycott of Israel.

Suspect turns state witness in diamond theft trial begins

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A diamond thief and 11 porters at Ben-Gurion port went on trial in the District Court here yesterday on charges of stealing diamonds and precious stones worth IL12m. from mailbags at the airport.

Violence predicted if housing not found

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter If nothing is done to solve the housing problem, the Black Panther disturbances of the early 1970s will be pale by comparison, claimed a Sephardi activist who asserted yesterday that the establishment tried to "buy him with a new home."

Advertisement for Mifal Hapayis insurance company, thanking subscribers and highlighting their 'Most Preferred' status for four consecutive years.

1,000 sign pro-abortion petition

Post Knesset Reporter delegation of the Histadrut's organization, Na'amat, yesterday handed Knesset Speaker Bek Shafir a petition bearing 1,000 signatures in favour of keeping the Abortion Law in its present form.

Belgian Government Scholarships — 1979/80

The Government of Belgium offers Israeli citizens scholarships for studies/advanced studies in the academic year 1979/80. Applicants must have at least a first degree; preference will be given to those with a second degree.

Cohen impresses Liverpool

By NYAM CORNEY Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. — After only a few days with Liverpool football club and despite atrocious weather conditions, Tel Aviv Maccabi soccer star Avi Cohen has convinced Liverpool manager Bob Paisley that "he's got a lot of skill."

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Iran army head doesn't see big role for U.S.

TEHERAN. — Iran's new armed forces chief said yesterday that the U.S. would be barred from eavesdropping on Soviet military communications from sophisticated listening posts in northern Iran.

Gen. Mohammad Valf Gharani, the new armed forces chief of staff, also said that Iran would probably honour agreements with the U.S. not to transfer sophisticated U.S.-purchased weaponry to third countries or to movements like Yasser Arafat's PLO.

Unrest in Iranian Kurdistan

TEHERAN (Reuter). — An Iranian army general has been wounded in the troubled Kurdish tribal area on the western frontier, Deputy Prime Minister Amir Entezam said yesterday.



A Vietnames border guard on duty in Langson province during the first days of the Chinese invasion of Vietnam. (UPI telephoto)

Ambulance drivers' strike hits London

LONDON (Reuter). — Ambulance drivers from half of London's emergency stations went on a total 24-hour strike yesterday, raising fears that the unofficial action could spread throughout the country.

The drivers are defying Tuesday's decision by their official union leadership to postpone a daylong national strike, including emergency services, for one week to study a new pay offer.

Pirate-attacked ship takes hostage

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (UPI). — A U.S. oceanographic research ship reportedly attacked by mace-wielding pirates sailed from the remote Maldives Islands with a native chief's son aboard as hostage, a U.S. embassy official said yesterday.

The official, whose Colombo embassy also is accredited to the Maldives, said the abduction of the chief's son followed the shootout on one of the northernmost Maldivian islands.

Pakistan explosion kills 8, wounds 50 people

ISLAMABAD (AP). — Eight persons were killed and 50 were injured in an explosion yesterday in Lahore, 288 km southeast of here, Pakistani officials said.

American Marine released by Iranians

TEHERAN (UPI). — U.S. Marine Sgt. Kenneth Kraus, held on charges of killing three Iranians in the American Embassy gunbattle February 14 by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's revolutionary committee, was surreptitiously released last night and whisked back to the embassy.

Iran's new army would be strong and based on loyalty to Islam, the Koran and the new constitution being drafted for an Islamic republic. (Reuter/AP)

Teheran's nervous 'normalcy'

By ROBIN STAFFORD TEHERAN (UPI). — There is a lot of talk these days about Iran returning slowly to normal after its 11-day-old revolutionary earthquake. Slow is the word.

The rules as they go along. The breathalyzer, Iranian-style, has arrived. This consists of zealous Moslem vigilantes holding a gun to reporters' heads, and ordering them to breathe out hard.

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Vietnam faces more than Chinese threat

BANGKOK. — Vietnam's Communist rulers are in deep trouble at home and abroad. They are fighting a two-front war — one against vastly superior Chinese forces on their northern border and another against determined Cambodian guerrillas, backed by Peking.

cupy Vietnamese territory," one analyst said. "By keeping the pressure on along the border and doing what they can to keep the Pol Pot forces going in Cambodia, they can bleed Hanoi white. Indeed, that may be their strategy for getting Vietnamese troops out of Cambodia."

centres." Party officials said the roundup was necessary to prevent "public disorder." Old animosity between North and South Vietnamese has been exacerbated by what the southerners regard as the equivalent of a "Yankee occupation."

We thank the tens of thousands of volunteers, teachers and pupils, and members of youth movements, who took part in The March of Prutot, 1979 the Ministry of Education and Culture, the local councils, the schools and the Egged and Dan cooperatives who helped make the campaign a success and all those who contributed so generously. With your help, we will help them to walk independently. Management and Branches ILAN — Israel Society for Handicapped Children

TOURIST: Are you hearing what these stones are crying out? And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious. And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord shall set his hand again the SECOND TIME to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria... And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth. (Isaiah 11:10-12) SHALOM ISRAEL (IX) — a Christian perspective on Israel's restoration. Another 20 Bible prophecies specifically fulfilled in the miracle, restoration of Israel. 8.15-9.15 p.m. Saturday evening (Prayer beforehand 7.00-8.00 p.m.) Beit Hamevasser (just south of Nevi'im St. on Shivat Yisrael St.) All are welcome! With Grant and Barbara Livingston The Bible proves Israel — Israel proves the Bible

The Weekly Chamber Music Concert at the Jerusalem Khan Sunday, February 25, 8.30 p.m. In DAVID CHEN'S "Contrasts" Series The programme juxtaposes the sounds of Piano and Brass. Bracha EDEN and Alexander TAMIR, duo pianists. Glenna FISHTAL (trumpet). Meir RIMON (French horn). Yehoshua FASTERNAK (trombone)

Andreotti can't form new Italian government

ROME (UPI). — Christian Democratic premier-designate Giulio Andreotti yesterday gave up his efforts to form a new government.

Andreotti handed his resignation to Italian President Sandro Pertini after failing in a three-week attempt to create Italy's 41st post-Fascist government. His resignation came less than a day after the Socialist Party withdrew its support from the premier-designate, who had headed two successive Christian Democratic governments since 1976.

Volcano kills 150 Java villagers

JAKARTA (Reuter). — More than 150 people were killed when a long-dormant volcano erupted in central Java, 300 km east of the Indonesian capital.

Newsmen reporting from the scene in the Dieng mountain range said bodies were still being found in Pucukan and other villages and that the final death toll could be much higher than the 155 confirmed by noon yesterday.

The government ordered the evacuation of 17,000 villagers from an area three km in radius around the Sinlu volcano, which erupted Tuesday night.

The Dieng range is a high plateau rising some 2,000 metres above sea level and topped by 26 volcanic peaks.

Seven slain in New York massacre

NEW YORK (AP). — Detectives searched the "bloody mess" of a New York City apartment yesterday for clues as to who slashed the throats of six men and a woman in one of the largest single mass murders in the city's history.

None of the victims was immediately identified. Police said they appeared they had been dead since mid-afternoon.

Missile downs Viscount, Rhodesia says

SALISBURY. — The Rhodesian government said yesterday that the cause of last week's crash of a Viscount airliner was a Soviet-made Sam-7 missile, and vowed retaliation against Joshua Nkomo's guerrillas by March 15.

Patriotic Front, ZANU (Zimbabwe African National Union) yesterday claimed responsibility for the mortar attack on Salisbury's international airport on Monday night.

Bill Irvine, the white co-minister of transport in the bi-racial interim government, told parliament in the government's first official statement on the disaster, which claimed 59 lives, that the cause of the crash was a "heat-seeking Soviet Strela missile."

Pope will visit native Poland in May

VATICAN CITY (Reuter). — Pope John Paul will return to his native Poland on a papal pilgrimage in May, informed sources said yesterday.

papal visit which could be expected to draw gigantic crowds of Roman Catholics. In the heart of the Communist Bloc. The authorities were anxious that the pope's visit should not coincide with the 90th anniversary of the death of Polish President Stanislaw, whose funeral day is marked present the saint as a national hero and model for modern opposition to temporal authorities.

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Department refused him admission. What angered America's blacks is Knoetze's shooting of a South African black boy two years ago.

By TOM ARMS Gemini News Service first they encouraged boxing as part of his training. As he climbed the sporting ladder Knoetze's successes became a matter of prestige for the South African police.

ENGELS attributed the boxer's aggressiveness with many reporters to Knoetze's difficulty in speaking English. "He appears aggressive because he cannot express himself properly," said the general.

and detectives but also with the upper echelons of the police force who liked to associate themselves with Knoetze's success. But Knoetze's star status within the police force could not protect him from his own foolishness.



an't form government... Kallie Knoetze, the white hope of South African boxing and fifth-ranking heavyweight in the world, defended himself when he was a policeman shooting an unarmed and innocent black youth.

DID POLITICS have anything to do with Knoetze's handling of the riots? "Definitely not," said the general. "Knoetze has no political affiliations."

Between noon and 4:30 p.m., he worked as a policeman and then at five he began sparring in the police gym. He finished the day with a six-kilometre run at 10 p.m.

In what appears to be an attempt to deny guerrillas food, shops have been closed and granaries are destroyed. Buses are stopped and passengers told to eat or dispose of the food they are carrying wherever a guerrilla presence is suspected.

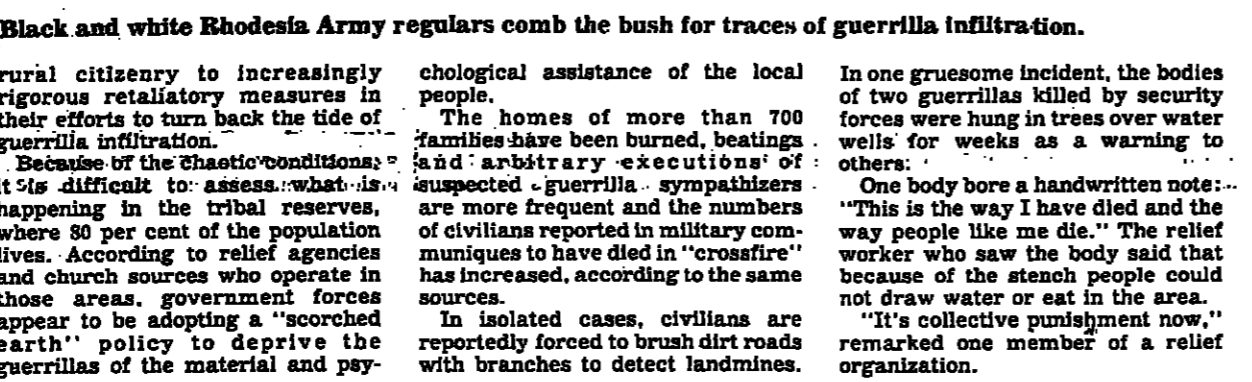
MOSCOW. — Soviet authorities have begun a campaign of harassment and threat aimed at intimidating the founders of a new unofficial literary magazine that seeks to challenge tight state control of the arts.

WAR ON WORDS IN SOVIET UNION

By KEVIN KLOSE / Washington Post News Service

The five editors of the new journal, "Metropol," have been called in and upbraided by officials of the Moscow Writers Union and several have been threatened with expulsion from the union for helping produce it.

life and death for Rhodesia's rural dwellers... CARYLE MURPHY Washington Post News Service "I wish I could lend my black skin so you could live for two days and then you see... it is anarchy out there."



Black and white Rhodesia Army regulars comb the bush for traces of guerrilla infiltration.

Black and white Rhodesia Army regulars comb the bush for traces of guerrilla infiltration. rural citizenry to increasingly rigorous retaliatory measures in their efforts to turn back the tide of guerrilla infiltration.

chological assistance of the local people. The homes of more than 700 families have been burned, beatings and arbitrary executions of suspected guerrilla sympathizers are more frequent and the numbers of civilians reported in military communiqués to have died in "crossfire" has increased, according to the same sources.

In one gruesome incident, the bodies of two guerrillas killed by security forces were hung in trees over water wells for weeks as a warning to others. "One body bore a handwritten note: 'This is the way I have died and the way people like me die.'"

York massacre... some places, the rural men are intimidated, harassed and killed by as many as separate armed forces.

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A small victory for 'swindling widows'

By WILLIAM SCOBIE / Observer Foreign News Service

SAN FRANCISCO. — The National Cancer Institute (NCI), which spends some \$800m yearly in the war on cancer, is under heavy fire in the U.S. Consumer, labour and environmental groups charge that it has given too much attention to the search for the "big cure," while neglecting research into — and efforts to curb — use of carcinogenic chemicals.

Richardson himself has been successfully prosecuted, along with three other laetrile advocates, for conspiracy to smuggle the stuff into the country from Mexico. He was fined \$20,000 and placed on three years probation.

THE CONTROVERSIAL Richardson is a passionate advocate of laetrile, which he calls vitamin B17. He believes that a solution to the cancer mystery "lies in the field of diet, and that prevention and treatment can be found through vitamins, minerals and enzymes."

Richardson struck back with a suit seeking personal damages of \$65m. from the 12 officials on the board "not one doctor among them" — which revoked his licence.

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN! REPORT SUSPICIOUS OBJECTS. An advertisement featuring two large eyes and a warning about suspicious objects.

JEAN MACHINE FUS LONDON. An advertisement for Jean Machine fashion stores, featuring a speech bubble that says "FOR THE FIRST TIME IN RAANANA" and contact information for a shop in Rehov Borochoy.



מקומות למכירה



LONDON. — Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko, who is currently visiting Britain, has written a new poem about Jews. He gave it to the "Jewish Chronicle" so that it could be published in its current edition. The poem, entitled "Russian and Jews," reads: Russian and Jew One epoch raised them both Breaking time, like bread They share the self-same era Bread-pipes of Ryazan at day break Resounding from shadowy fields Played up by Sholem Aleichem On his muted fiddle Here's the basis of Leninist morality That both Jew and Russian died In bloodiest battle For their common toil Without swagger, without quarrel

Poet denies Russian artists anti-Semitic 'Russian and Jew'

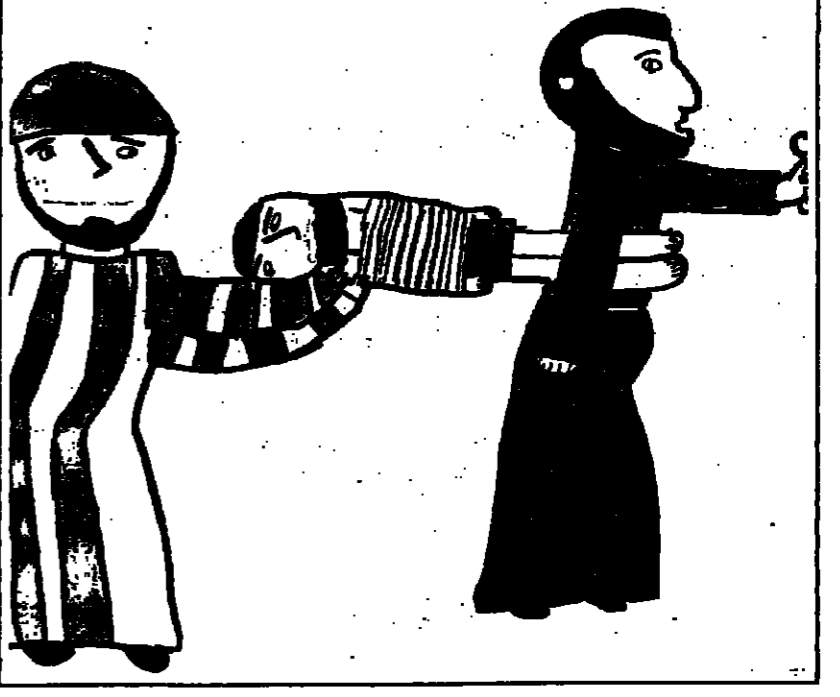
By HYAM CORNEY/Jerusalem Post Correspondent

And now residing in heaven Both Kachalor and Mikhoels Are in one theatre forever The poem has not been published in the Soviet Union but was read out publicly by its author in Moscow before he left for his visit to England. In an interview with T.R. Fyvel, literary editor of the "Jewish Chronicle," to whom he gave his poem, Yevtushenko said that it was wrong to think that anti-Semitism was deep-rooted in the Russian people.

their time is past. On Israel, Yevtushenko said that he was convinced that "in time, diplomatic relations will be restored...but everything depends on the settlement of the Palestinian question... "When one visits the wretched Palestinian refugee camps, one feels the crying need for a solution that is fair to the Israelis as well as to the Palestinians." Yevtushenko criticized people in the West who demonstrate against and harass visiting Soviet musicians or dancers. "Such Jewish demonstrations are really directed against quite the wrong address," he said, pointing out that the Soviet artists in question were not connected with politics and "do not harbour anti-Semitism. An organization like the Bolshoi has many Jewish members."

Five winners

The pictures below are the winning entries to the international competition "Children of the World Illustrate the Old Testament," sponsored by the Jerusalem Municipality. The four winners from abroad will be flown here for an awards ceremony in April to coincide with the Jerusalem International Book Fair.



"Selling of Joseph" by Jayne Feerick, 9, of Birmingham, UK.



"Daniel in the Lions' Den" by Angelika Fritz, 8, of Vienna.



"The Plague of the Locusts" by Angela Baskens, 10, of Dusseldorf.



"Elijah Ascends to the Heavens" by Carolina Sanz, 13, of Madrid.



"The Pillar of Fire" by Ran Segev, 9, of Jerusalem.

'Holocaust' proves to be hot potato in France

By JACK MAURICE Jerusalem Post Correspondent

The belated showing of TV's "Holocaust" by French television is troubling uneasy consciences, has provoked a lively debate and threatens to its mark on the forthcoming general parliamentary elections. Jeanne Deux, France's second channel, is not saying how much it paid for Hollywood's version of the agony at the hands of the Nazis. But the price is believed to be in the neighbourhood of the \$650,000 by West German TV. Months "Holocaust" had been seen as a hot potato by the Communist Party of France, which on major issues still follows its instructions from the government. Refusal to show it was the channels and the writers to charges of "closing

their eyes and ears to one of humanity's cruelest ordeals. President Giscard d'Estaing's party, the Union for French Democracy, has raised indignation among both Communists and Gaullists by asking in its official bulletin whether the showing of "Holocaust" is timely. The UDF bulletin asked: "Isn't this new and spectacular recital of the extermination of the Jews by the Nazis likely to give special encouragement in our country to the anti-German campaign hatched by certain anti-European?" The Communist Party daily "L'Humanite" retorted: "The UDF's protests show they have swallowed the bait. The champions of a supra-national Europe—the one run by the trusts—are ready to

sacrifice happily to their own political calculations the memory of the millions of victims of Hitlerism. It was for similar reasons that in 1975 Mr. Giscard d'Estaing already decided to abolish the commemoration of the annual victory day over Nazism."

FRANCE'S Jewish Minister of Health Simone Veil, herself deported to Auschwitz where her parents perished, played an active part in persuading the government to get "Holocaust" a showing. She said last November: "Holocaust" is by no means an anti-German film. It shows how a system, which can be produced in any country, can lead to a phenomenon of genocide and of genocides. "We are living with these today. What is said about Cambodia is terrible. People must be aroused. It's not just a matter of going back over the past and of seeking vengeance. It is a question of assuring that things like this won't happen again."

letter took exception to the minister's advice, pointing out that the real Holocaust was considerably more horrible than the Hollywood images of the TV series. The Jewish Agency publication also challenged Beullac for stressing that the Nazis did not hold a monopoly of genocide. It claimed that the Education Minister was presenting the mass murder of the Jews as a common phenomenon of history. With only one instalment so far transmitted—the rest are imperilled by a strike by TV staff over massive dismissals—"Holocaust" has already generated shame among the accomplices and shock among the ignorant. The debate in France has only just begun. Judging by the immediate response, it is likely to grow more bitter.

Learning from early morning Mishna FAMILY FINES

LISTENING IN...Ze'ev Schul

MORE I hear about our sages, the more I like them. And you to do so, and also acquire a twiddling of a knob to the Mishna chapter (Second volume) at the somewhat un-hour of 0601 weekdays. The ancients' way of solving common marital problems: forbids a dinner out of her husband's (marriage contract) value. It's a dinner per night and she is accumulative until her husband is worth less, and she can be free of costs. Mishna also specified a fine of dinars to be added to the value of a Ketuba if hubby refuses to pay. But hubby's fine is payable once a week. The Mishna explains this obviously preferential treatment in favour of husbands in the "greater suffering" of the wife's refusal to cohabit with her husband. Or words to that effect. Mishna forbids a wife to be estranged from her husband (two litres) of wheat or barley that measure of barley, half a litre of oil to keep her little winking and an og or so of dried fruit, is around 400 grammes; all on the kuz, once a week. If the wife's been treating me a little more respect since I told her what the rules are. The Mishna spirit may, for all we know, be contagious and not strictly restricted to Islam. DORMIDABLE line-up of experts gathered in Kiryat Be'er Sheva last week to answer questions on our economic situation. Some of the discussion was cast on Thursday afternoon Se'Programme at 1610 hrs. The panel included Deputy Finance Minister Yeheskel Flomin, export Minister Meir Amit, and Minister of Health Victor Avner and coalition chairman

Original effects

DANCE Dora Sowden

choreography or the performance gave the work its main interest. RINA SHAHAM'S thought-provoking "Metaphors" perhaps erred on the side of too much intellectual import but if the theme was somewhat overworked, the effect was nonetheless powerful. Man (Jay Auger) clung to the shining globe of earth while Death (Oded Harari) stalked in the background. Illusion (Lea Avraham) came to distract and claim him but finally Life (Ruth Kleinfield) redeemed him, so that he once again clutched the silver orb. The four dancers were so excellently cast that even where the dancing seemed to carry on too long (as in the sparring duet and close struggle between Man and Death), there was no slackening of drama or dynamics. With both women, the dances of the Man were unusual in the classic forms and antagonistic and sympathetic relationships, but after the Federecki and Baird music, the sudden burst of the Bach "air" for Man and Life was rather disconcerting.

Suffering audience

MUSIC REVIEWS

WERE painfully made aware again that the audience is apparently only a kind of necessary evil which, at best, can be put to use as acoustic help and to provide atmosphere at a concert. Although not had been announced that the concert would start at 8:15 sharp, latecomers were allowed to walk all over the place in search of their seats; the clinking of women's wooden heels provided a wonderful accompaniment to the opening piece. Then we were exposed to the glare of lights set up so the concert could be filmed for television broadcast. This reminded me of third-degree interrogation, spoiling any atmosphere for the concert. And the order of works had to be turned around, for the convenience of the broadcast, so that "Lello," supposed to be a continuation of the Symphonie Fantastique, preceded it. Actually that did not make much difference as this trifling piece is out of place at any time. The sentimental slouch Berlioz offered his Parisian audience in 1832 is musically only a pastiche of some solo songs with piano, some choral pieces of no importance and unused odds and ends he found in his drawers, which he made up into a "Monodrama," linked artificially by a text about his dreams, longings and emotional stresses which even attacks critics and addresses the orchestra on stage. The music is insignificant—the best part sounds like a Rossini festival—and the insertion of the idea here is just a gimmick to link the two pieces together somewhat. The singers were impressive. Peyo Garazzi used his high, strong tenor to full advantage, and Richard Shapp's few lines were enjoyable. The "Rinat" National Choir curiously had no depth in its sound. Despite their number (I counted 27 women and 20 men), no choral sonority of any weight was projected across the stage; it was all disembodied pianissimo without character—maybe that was what the conductor intended it to be? TO REST my eyes from the bright lights, I went home in the interval and watched the Symphonie Fantastique on TV, which was simultaneously broadcast on FM Stereo over the radio. Sound and performance were excellent, and we could watch Gary Bertini wiping his brow and checking on his appearance in close-up during the breaks between the movements. As for the photography, the director followed the score too slavishly—how many times does one have to watch the flautist playing his part, for example? The camera obediently

Questions of heresy

WRITERS AND READERS/Srava Shapiro

THE Marrano refugees from Portugal built themselves a synagogue in Amsterdam to pray to the God of their forefathers. He created an administrative religious establishment and they were expected to abide by its rules, to profess similar faith, set these rules in stone. They must have realized that a profound moral shock had been through. For the community to survive, they believed, the vagaries of free will had to be suppressed. And as why Spinoza d'Acosta and his were anathematized. YIRMEYAHU YOVEL is a fascinating essay to read on Spinoza and other Heretics. In a series of studies the Haifa University produced to mark the anniversary of Spinoza's death, the Portuguese community in Amsterdam in the 17th century lived a segregated life, different from that of the severe native Dutch not only in religion, but in pomp. The old Portuguese community abounds in tombs sumptuously adorned with bas-reliefs of biblical scenes—"as if ad wandered into an old ward of Catholic gentry in Spain." Yovel says. Obviously the refugees from Portugal brought with them the ones of their country of birth. It was the Marrano split party. The rabbis of Amsterdam, observes, saw it as their duty to protect their fold in the truest sense, displaying less imagination than one would expect. Young men who expected to be a religion a solace for their troubles were treated as a threat to the community.

Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra

Gary Bertini conducting; with Peyo Garazzi, tenor; Richard Shapp, bass; the "Rinat" National Choir (Stanley Sperber, director); Gideon Shemer, narrator (Binyamin Ha'ozim, Jerusalem, February 22); Symphonie Fantastique.

The Kibbutz Chamber Orchestra

Neane Sheriff, conducting; Giora Feldman, clarinet (Tel Aviv Museum, February 17); Handel: Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 4 in A Minor; Moshe Gazner: "Pentagons" for strings; Andre Hajdu: King's Fanfare—Rhapsody on Jewish Themes for clarinet and bass; Mozart: Symphony No. 4 in G Major.

Diut Evening

Rina Rosen, oboe, cor anglais; gulari: Joseph Gomen, viola; Herta, Studio Yitzhak Raz, Denzla, February 17); Bach: Gavotte and Minuet from English Suite No. 5; Telemann: Sonata No. 3; Corelli: Sonata Op. 5 No. 2; Leclair: 3 Minuets; Mozart: Andante in G Major; Jemmill: Petite Suite; Ravel: Pavane, etc.

The Pillar of Fire

Rina Rosen and Joseph Gomen, from the former Galilee Orchestra. Rina Rosen is now a member of the Netanya Orchestra, and Gomen plays with the Haifa Symphony Orchestra.

Fishermen fight for rights in Red Sea

Special to the Jerusalem Post
The Red Sea Coast along the Sinai Peninsula, presently a bone of contention between Israel and Egypt, has become the site of another conflict, this time between fishermen and the Israel Nature Preserves Authority.

The fishermen and a group of entrepreneurs developing the resources of the Red Sea at the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula claim that the Nature Preserves Authority's extreme restrictions have virtually closed most of the Red Sea coast to fishing and other maritime development.

According to a petition filed recently with the authorities and legal steps taken on their behalf, the fishermen demand that the numerous restricted areas and nature preserves be reopened to fishing and that the bans on various types of fishing and related enterprises be lifted. Among the bans are: shark fishing, catching lobsters; collecting fish for aquariums; spear fishing and collecting sea shells for decorative uses.

"To the best of our knowledge, Israel is the only country in the world which has imposed a complete ban on the above activities in so wide an area," says Victor Perry, representative of the South Sinai Fishermen's Organization. The ban, he notes, applies to the entire 240 km coast stretching southward from Elhat to Ophira, near Sharm-el-Sheikh, at the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula.

In order to enforce two of the above bans, the Nature Preserves Authority, a governmental body, has declared sharks and lobsters "protected animals." Prof. Adam Ben-Tuvia, head of the Ichthyology Department at the Hebrew University, has said that to the best of his knowledge Israel is the only country

which protects sharks and forbids fishing them.

Ben-Tuvia, who is an adviser to the United Nations' FAO Organization in Rome and to the Israel Department of Fisheries, has cautioned that should shark attacks occur in the Red Sea, government authorities may be subject to legal action by future victims. It is well known that the best method for reducing the danger of shark attacks is to reduce their population through fishing.

An attempt to set up a shark fishing and processing enterprise in Ophira has been stalled because of the above restrictions, which have also resulted in an extensive network of lobster "smuggling."

As a result, notes Perry, "more lobsters are being eliminated today than if their trapping had been permitted under controlled conditions. Not only are large numbers smuggled in order to benefit from the high prices caused by the ban, but many lobsters are dying in captivity, while being hidden for extensive periods from the prying eyes of the authorities."

An enterprise for exporting tropical fish for aquariums has been established in Ophira. But it has many difficulties because it is permitted to catch fish only in the Gulf of Suez, an unnecessarily great distance from the staging base in Ophira, it is pointed out.

Another anomaly, the fishermen claim, is the ban on collecting sea shells. These are sold extensively in the country, but only if they are imported from the Far East. This costs the state unnecessary foreign currency, the fishermen point out.

To reinforce their case against the Nature Preserves Authority, the Southern Sinai Fishermen's Association has decided to contact scientific and professional bodies abroad, in addition to similar authorities in Israel, in order to obtain backing for their case.



Fishermen sorting their catch.

(IPPA)

First charters from Newcastle

By BARUCH SAVILLE Post Travel Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Direct flights from Newcastle, England, to Israel, started with the arrival yesterday at Ben-Gurion Airport of an EL AL 707 operated by the airline's Charter Services subsidiary.

The commercial director of Charter Services, Uriel Yashiv, told The Post that the flight was the first of a series of five to be operated from Newcastle, until March 20. The 650 travellers booked on the flights do not include any Jews, and the series is seen as a big breakthrough into an important new market segment of travel to Israel.

Yashiv added that the flights had been organized in co-operation with six daily newspapers appearing in northern England and Scotland, in-

cluding the Scotsman, the Edinburgh Evening News and the Yorkshire Evening Gazette and Evening Chronicle. The visitors come from Yorkshire, Scotland and even from Belfast, Ireland.

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Saudia cautious about price hikes

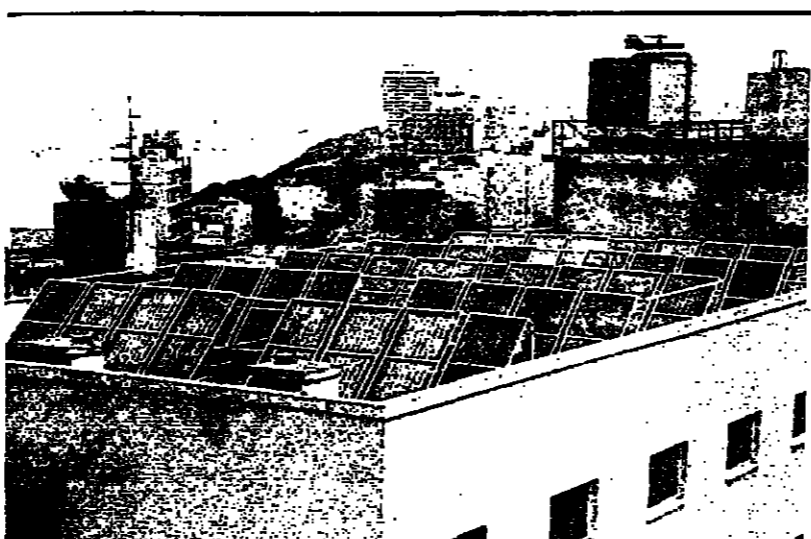
KUWAIT (Reuters). — Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter, favours a cautious approach to increasing world prices, a senior Saudi oil official was quoted as saying yesterday.

Dr. Abdel-Hadi Taher, governor of Saudi Arabia's General Petroleum and Mineral Organization (Petromin), said in an interview with Al-Qabas newspaper: "The Saudi government believes in the need for a pause and caution before taking a final decision in this regard, because the issue of prices is a sensitive one and it has an international political aspect."

Dr. Taher said he believed there

was no need for the proposed extraordinary OPEC meeting in Geneva on March 26 to discuss prices "because any decision taken, on prices in the light of the market's instability will be neither wise nor sound."

He said the impact of the stoppage of Iranian crude oil exports would be clearly felt in the winter of 1980, when world stockpiles were expected to decrease. There was no change in Saudi Arabia's present daily production level of 8.5 m. barrels, he said. But he added that the situation was under constant review.



Facing up to the times in terms of energy conservation is the newly opened Princess-Marina hotel in Netanya, whose 40-collector Miromit system will supply all its hot water needs. The four-star hotel is the latest addition to the Shiff chain.

Law to install solar heaters?

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter

Deputy Finance Minister Yehzekel Flomin is studying a proposal put to him by Hillel Seidel (Likud), whereby contractors would be obliged by law to install solar heaters in all new buildings.

Seidel urged Flomin also to reduce taxes on sun-heaters to promote fuel economies.

Deal to call off tax swoop — Alignment

Post Knesset Reporter

The Alignment faction chairman charged yesterday that the authorities decided not to send tax inspectors to raid the Carmel Market stall-keepers in Tel Aviv because of a political deal.

Chairman Moshe Shahal asked yesterday in a parliamentary question tabled to Interior Minister Yosef Burg, whether the stall-keepers allegedly got immunity from tax checks after they paid contributions

to the Herut party coffers via the Tel Hai Fund.

Shahal quoted an interview with the former Income Tax Commissioner, Eliezer Shiloni, who said the Tel Aviv police chief refused to agree to the tax swoop because "he could not be responsible for the blood which would be shed."

Later, Shahal added, he learnt that Likud politicians promised the peddlars no raids would be made on the market.

British Lyons on Dubai blacklist

ABU DHABI (UPI). — The government of the Emirate of Dubai has blacklisted the British catering and food chain, J. Lyons and Co., the semi-official newspaper "Emirates News" said yesterday.

The newspaper said that the ice cream making subsidiary, Lyonsmaid, had been blacklisted, along with the parent company, for "trading with Israel."

Kuwait deplores use of 'Koran wrap'

KUWAIT (AP). — Kuwait yesterday protested formally to the French and Belgian governments over the manufacture and use in their respective countries of wrapping paper imprinted with two pages from the Koran.

Yousef al-Hajj, Kuwait's minister of religious endowments and Islamic affairs, said that such practices constituted "a direct challenge to the sentiments of hundreds of millions of Muslims all over the world."

The protests over the appearance

of Koranic texts on wrapping paper were reminiscent of a similar case two years ago, when a major London department store marketed men's underwear with a label affixed saying, "There is no God but Allah."

INFLATION. — Banknotes worth 50,000 pesos (L900) — five times the existing biggest denomination — came into circulation yesterday in Argentina, which has the highest rate of inflation in the world (169.8 per cent last year).

prospect of an upturn in world economy. Thus Britain's voice, and possibly those of Norway and Canada as well, will counsel moderation in any future price rises.

Perhaps more important than the discussions about pricing will be the presence of representatives of all the countries' state oil companies, which are expected to be talking about future cooperation between them.

The past few years have seen a mushrooming of the size of the world's nationalised oil enterprises. Petroles de Venezuela, created to take over the country's recently nationalised foreign-owned oilfields, is one of the world's giants, as is Pemex, the state monopoly, as is one which with the massive new discoveries of oil will become one of the largest suppliers of fuel to the U.S.

The British National Oil Corporation and Norway's Statoil are also taking their places among the biggest companies in Western Europe.

The British aim is that these giants should talk about ways of cooperating with one another on questions of exploration, production, and marketing, and this will be

Exports to U.S. stagnate

By MACABER DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's attempts to make inroads in its adverse trade balance with the U.S. by stepping up exports virtually "stagnated" in 1978, Baruch Barak, president of the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce, said yesterday.

He was addressing economic reporters at a "study day" sponsored by the chamber, with the guest of honour being Richard Rueda, Jr., First Secretary (Commercial) at the American Embassy.

Barak noted that Israel exports to the U.S. had indeed increased in 1978 by 20 per cent, from \$608.7m. in 1977 to \$730.7m. in 1978. "This would be commendable, except that Israel's exports from the U.S. increased by 13.5 per cent, from \$981m. in 1977 to \$1,116m. in 1978." (He expressed the hope that the proposed export target of \$517m. in 1979 would not be offset by an equal increase of imports from the U.S.)

One reason for the "stagnation," he said, was that Israeli exporters had not concentrated on the huge American market, believing that their salvation would come from sales to the Common Market. Another factor which had slowed down exports was that "once the American market accepted an Israeli trial shipment and asked for substantially increased shipments in the future, the Israelis were not geared to step up production to meet the demand."

Moreover, the Americans wanted

"delivery tomorrow," and this meant establishing warehouses in the U.S., a step which few Israeli companies had taken. The Americans were not satisfied with a promise that the shipments would arrive in a month or so.

Barak also complained that the Americans who sold Israeli military hardware had promised to buy a certain percentage of items in Israel to partially offset the sale. Often this was not done for a variety of reasons.

Dr. Asher Halperin, chairman of the Association of Israeli Banks, noted a strange anomaly: Israel imported to the U.S. highly sophisticated computers to the U.S. while buying jeans, easy to produce locally, from the U.S.

Earlier, Ya'acov Rein, head of the export department for North America for Makhteshim, described the steady increase in sales of pesticides to the U.S. Sales had risen from \$2.4m. to \$5.5m. in 1978, and should reach the \$9m. to \$10m. mark this year. Makhteshim hoped to increase sales steadily, year by year in the future, despite the various barriers the Beersheba-based company had to hurdle. These included the approval and registration of the pesticides by the Environmental Protection Agency which had adopted a strict policy, and American customs procedures and practices. The latter could impose countervailing duties if it was proved that the imported goods benefited from subsidies and directed govern-

ment loans, thus making them cheaper in comparison to American goods.

Rueda pointed out that all the restrictive practices America had adopted were not aimed at Israel specifically, but at all exporters to the U.S. He admitted that sometimes bureaucratic procedures slowed down imports, "but these could be appealed against and overcome." Anyway, he added, bureaucracy is a part of the way of life of all countries.

Rein added that America imported pesticides valued at \$100m. a year, although it also exported pesticides valued at \$700m. a year. In selling to the U.S., Israel had to face competition from such international giants as Bayer of West Germany, Ciba of Switzerland and Imperial Chemicals of England.

In all, Makhteshim exported 70 per cent (or \$37.5m.) of its turnover in 1978.

"We even managed to sell to Communist China through a third country," Rein admitted, adding "the Chinese are tough bargainers."

Other exports went to Iran and to Arab countries. "We even got complaints from Lebanon," he admitted, saying "we have drawn up plans to make substantial sales to Egypt as soon as peace is reached."

Yoav Polachek, international marketing manager for Miromit solar energy collectors, believed that there was an immense potential for sales in the U.S. Miromit had pioneered in this field in the U.S.

OPEC comes in from the cold

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eagerly taken up by the rest of the participants.

A sign of the times is the agreement in principle between Pemex and ENOC to swap crudes. British light crude for Mexican heavy crude, which will be worked out in detail between the two companies next month.

The repercussions for any such arrangements will not be lost on the "Seven Sisters," the big privately owned corporations such as Shell and Exxon, which have had the bulk of the world's oil trade to themselves for the past half a decade or more.

The recent rise of the state-owned companies and the present moves to increase coordination among them represents the biggest challenge to their supremacy that they have ever faced.

They will be awaiting the outcome of the London meeting with anxiety and may well be doing their best to ensure that OPEC cooperation with non-OPEC producers does not become a regular occurrence.

But, as Mabon said, "The talks in March could be the beginning of a long, long romance." (OFNS)

Philippines hits oil after long search

MANILA (Reuters). — The Philippines, after a long search for oil, has now joined the oil-producing nations and forecasts huge savings in its fuel expenses.

While the start of production from the South Nido One well in the South China Sea is considered a breakthrough, it is also tapping local non-oil energy sources to reduce its dependence on imported fuel.

The initial production rate from Nido, off Palawan Island, is only 4,000 barrels a day. But together with other sources in the area it should increase to 40,000 barrels a day before the end of 1979, according to Energy Minister Gerónimo Velasco.

welcome development in a country that uses 210,000 barrels of oil a day.

Energy Minister Velasco is hopeful that with actual production in the Nido complex — which covers four blocks, totalling 1.2 million acres — and the operation of new energy sources, the Philippines will save about \$250m. a year.

Small compared to the Middle East's resources, or even those of its Asian neighbours, the Philippines find is very significant for their economy. Until this year about 95 per cent of the country's fuel needs were imported, so the start of production on January 27 was a

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Palestinian aspirations

CLINTON BAILEY maintains that elimination of Palestinian national aspirations, and not control of the administered territories, should be Israel's objective.

THE LETTER of support sent by 12 Arab university students to the Palestine National Congress meeting in Damascus last month did not evoke much surprise in Israel.

The students' denial of Israel's right to exist was also no surprise. The Israeli Arabs, who opposed the establishment of a Jewish state before 1948, never considered Israel legitimate.

Some public figures, plain citizens, and segments of the Israeli media, however, were surprised — and concerned — by the readiness of the 12 students to state openly some convictions that caution had previously suppressed.

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Triangle, Jaffa, and a large portion of the northern Negev, would be part of an Arab state, leaving few Arabs as Israeli citizens.

In facing the problem of a disaffected minority, Israel theoretically has four options. First, she could renounce the goal of being a Jewish state, granting her Arab citizens equality in all domains, from economic and communal development to the right of unlimited immigration.

Creating such circumstances requires action on two levels: the Israeli Arab, and the Palestinian. On the first level, effort could be made to alleviate some of the material discomforts of daily life.

Such solutions, however, while abating the tide of Israeli Arab discontent will be mere soporific if the political aspect of the problem is not put into its proper context and addressed at the roots.

impossible, will be make a greater effort to enjoy life in Israel — or seek a future elsewhere.

Israel can prevent the realization of Palestinian national aspirations by pursuing a deliberate policy, a policy based on three assumptions:

that ultimate Palestinian success requires the support of the states immediately neighbouring Israel.

that these states have national interests which would be served by peace with Israel.

that these states are limited in their ability to make peace with Israel by the extent to which Palestinian nationalism appears to be succeeding.

Accordingly, Israeli policy should strive for peace with the neighbouring states based on respective national interests.

Israel's primary interest is that these neighbouring states renounce their support for the Palestinian cause.

Israel, however, must ease their way by dispelling the illusion that Palestinian nationalism is an indomitable force whose success is inevitable.

The illusion of Palestinian victory is fostered by two elements: their tremendous political achievements scored over the last 12 years, and the survival and occasional activity of the terrorist organizations.

Israel can dispel this illusion, first of all, by not contributing to Palestinian political progress.

From their point of view, every subsequent recognition of them as an independent political entity constituted progress, especially if it came from Israel.

Ignoring the Palestinians, however, is not sufficient; they must also be bypassed.

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Dry Bones



basis becomes frozen, the Palestinian issue fills the vacuum. By contrast, a dialogue, however indirect, between Israel and her neighbours relegates this issue to the background, highlighting its secondary importance.

THUS, although the final results were in their favour, the very fact of Israeli-Egyptian negotiations was initially a setback to Palestinian expectations.

The second element in this illusion — the survival and occasional activity of the terrorist organizations — must also be dealt with.

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them, the Palestinian cause would not have risen to prominence.

Whenever the subject of peace between Israel and her neighbours arises, so does the question of Syria.

Will Syria really abandon the Palestinians? Does Syria really want the Golan? In reply, one need only recall 1976 when Syria slaughtered 20,000 Palestinians in Lebanon and hanged Palestinian terrorists in a Damascus square.

The real question is whether Israel will realize that the elimination of Palestinian national aspirations is more vital to the future security of the country than complete control of the administered territories.

Dr. Bailey lectures on Palestinian nationalism at Tel Aviv University.

READERS' LETTERS
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In the recent fashion supplement, much is written to glamorize the wearing of furs.

Mink, nutria, fox and ermine are often raised on fur farms (where conditions are crowded and dismal and life ends with strychnine or a blow to the head).

NO one would condone the perpetration of such sickening cruelty on domestic animals and it cannot even be argued that fur is a necessary commodity.

THE BAHAI LEADERSHIP
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In your reports on the Black Hebrews, you mention inter-tribal and consanguineous marriages for all Blacks entering Israel at one time and added that "even the world head of the Bahai faith was subjected to similar indignities."

There is no such a thing as a world head of the Bahai faith. The supreme body of the Bahai faith on the International level consists of nine members and represents the Bahai world community, which is universal and comprises all races of mankind.

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The wrong pay off

THE ISSUE of rescinding the clause in the abortion law permitting abortion for social reasons is due to come to the fore of the country's political agenda in the next week or two.

It is, admittedly, a highly charged issue splitting the religious from the secular camps and is complicated further by arguments about the need to encourage the country's Jewish birthrate.

It has emerged as a central political issue because of Mr. Begin's promise in the coalition agreement with Agudat Israel to rescind the social reasons clause.

Some time ago a private member's bill to that effect squeezed through the Knesset and the Aguda is now demanding full payment on the coalition promise in preparation for the further legislative readings in the Knesset.

As is the case in many highly emotional issues, the hot debate accompanying it often loses touch with reality.

It is to Israel's shame that abortion still remains one of the most ubiquitous forms of birth control. This is primarily due to the hypocritical failure of all Israeli governments to institute an effective system for the dissemination of birth control information and instruction.

The law regulating abortions, which is the target of the new amendment, is a relatively new one. Prior to its adoption two years ago, the previous abortion legislation was one of the most stringent anti-abortion laws known, stemming from British Mandatory times.

Nonetheless, for close to 27 years Israel was one of the easiest countries in which to obtain a medically safe and relatively inexpensive abortion from reputable gynaecologists.

If the new amendment being urged by the Aguda passes, there is every reason to believe that the rate of abortions will continue very close to the present level.

Political analysts say that the key to whether the amendment will pass or not lies with the Liberal contingent in the Likud. This is based on the myth that the Liberals are a distinctly secular party as opposed to Mr. Begin's Herut.

Where the difference lies is that Herut MKs by and large seem to have less of a bout of conscience than do their Liberal counterparts in compromising their deepest beliefs for the purpose of buying the Aguda's four votes and ensuring that they stay bought.

THE PROBLEM is not so much one of ethics as of social equity. The well-to-do will continue to have recourse to abortion on demand regardless of the fate of the bill.

POSTSCRIPTS

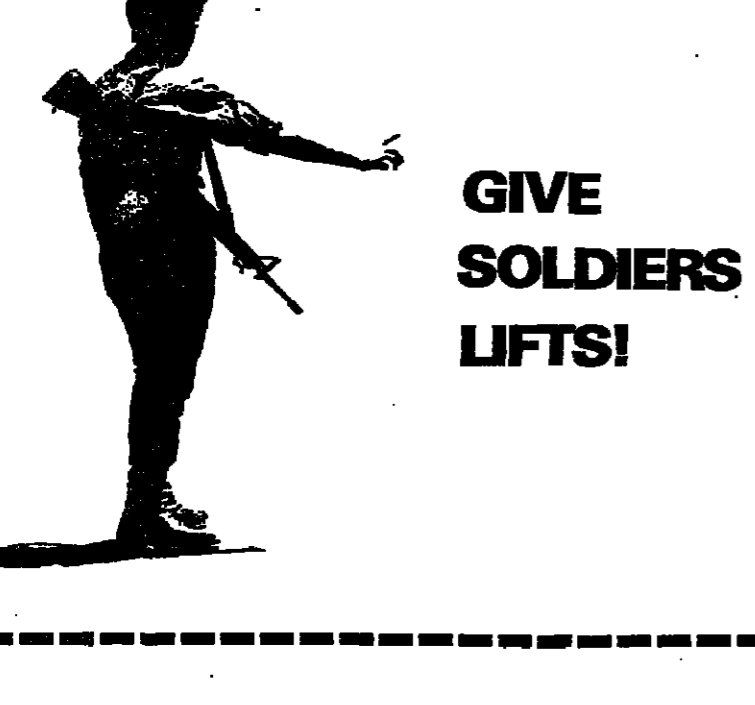
OUR RUSSIAN cardiologist friend finally managed to get a plumber over to his house to look at a clogged sink. But the plumber, after noticing his customer was a doctor, insisted on an electrocardiogram before the plumbing was put back together.

EVERY SWIMMING POOL has to have a professional lifeguard, say Interior Ministry officials, and they are not about to make any exceptions. After much wrangling, the parents committee of the Sha'ar Menashe Institution for retarded children has hired a lifeguard, and he sits and watches the children as they play in the pool — which is 40 cm. deep.

IN A LETTER to Grupper, Bar-Lavie says: "Since no difficulty is foreseen in raising IL10m. to buy new westerns, it should be a simple matter to come up with IL1m. — to produce a documentary film depicting the heritage of Georgian Jewry."

IF THERE IS enough money to buy brand new films — including cowboy flicks — for Israel television, then there surely must be enough money to portray the story of Georgian Jewry.

MELROSE'S TEA
PEOPLE DRINK IT MORE
NANA-LEMON-EARL GREY-REGULAR FLAVOURS ETC.



Putting on the brakes

DR. HARRY STERN, disagreeing with a previous article on this page, calls for a number of strict measures to reduce the carnage on Israeli roads.

AN ARTICLE on this page entitled "Carnage on the Roads" by Philip Singer (January 17), noted the "suicidal and homicidal destructiveness" of the Israeli driver.

THE PUBLIC disregard for traffic laws is obviously integral to inadequate law enforcement and prosecution. However, it bears separate discussion, given our widespread disregard for traffic laws.

TAKE for example the following: traffic barriers are traditionally removed from the end of a cul-de-sac because they cause driver inconvenience; one-way streets are single-mindedly ignored; no-entry signs are blithely bent out of recognition when they alter one's itinerary;

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A reported infraction must, however, be prosecuted with reasonable dispatch and efficiency. In the U.S., a driver knows very well that his road violations will appear in the computer printout which is checked when applying for a license or registration renewal.

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THE LACK of professionalism by those who earn their living driving is quite shocking to a Western immigrant. American truck and bus drivers are seldom thought of as unsafe drivers. It is rare indeed that one may observe them changing lanes in a curve, passing another vehicle from the right or tail-gating on the highway.

IN ISRAEL, the seven hapless passengers in an inter-city sherot close their eyes during the journey and count their blessings at its conclusion. The sherot drivers' performance on the road is frightening.

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PUTERIZED of rapid action on traffic violations. Registration and licence renewals should be impossible with an outstanding infraction.

THE QUALITY of drivers' education courses must be improved. There should be firm, uncompromising dismissals for instructors who bend the rules.

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CORRECTION
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